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1. of the 4 Field Army received from the People's Revolutionary Military Council a directive requiring the demobilization prior to the end of 1950 of the equivalent of two of its armies. Personnel demobilized are to be placed in productive enterprises, and only non-combatants, veterans, and soldiers with land and family duties will be released.
2. The salient points of this directive are as follows:
 - a. In order to meet the requirements of the government's fiscal and economic policy the People's Liberation Army, beginning in the Fall of 1950, must undertake partial demobilization.
 - b. Only troops which are not charged with direct combat duties may be demobilized.
 - c. The total number of men to be demobilized from the 4 Field Army in 1950 shall equal two armies.
 - d. The following standard will govern the selection of men to be demobilized: (1) Natives of Manchuria who have seen three or more years of active military service. (2) Farmers who have land at home they can till. (3) Workers who have special technical skills. (4) Those who do not meet the above requirements, but who request demobilization on the basis of family responsibilities.
 - e. The period of preparation for this demobilization shall last from August through October 1950. Actual discharging of men will begin in November and will be completed by the first of next year.
3. In the cases of soldiers who meet the requirements for discharge but who have no home to go to, no land to cultivate, or no definite work to do.

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detailed individual reports will be made before the end of October 1950. A Demobilization Committee, organized jointly by the Military Council and the Political Affairs Yuan, is responsible for the preparation of plans which will assure that every demobilized soldier will have an opportunity to enter and engage in productive enterprises.

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